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TO: DIRECTOR, () ATTENT TO BE MADE TITO'S LIFE

RYBAT TAZZA TPMURILLO REDLEG CASUSTAIN

1. ON 20 JUNE, BILD AM SONNTAG EDITOR WERNER K A H L, TOLD HQS
TYDER () THAT GERMAN SERVICE (UNIDENTIFIED) HAD SHOWN
HIM "ENCIPHERED MESSAGE" (NO SPECIFICS) FROM A "FRIENDLY COUNTRY
SERVICE" (NOT MENTIONED) TO FRG. MESSAGE STATED ATTEMPT WOULD BE
MADE ON LIFE OF YUGOSLAVIAN PRESIDENT TITO WHILE LATTER ATTENDING
SOCCER MATCH OF THE YUGOSLAV WORLD CUP TEAM IN UNDISCLOSED GERMAN
CITY. (COMMENT: AS IS KNOWN, TITO VISITS THE FRG 24-²7 JUNE.
EARLIER VISIT, 12-16 JUNE, WAS POSTPONED.) ACCORDING THIS MESSAGE,
ASSASSINATION WAS TO HAVE BEEN ORGANIZED BY INDIVIDUAL "PARTIALLY
IDENTICAL" (SIC) WITH PERSON WHO MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR TITO'S
FRG VISIT. VIEW SERIOUSNESS THIS ALLEGATION, ACCORDING KAHL.
GERMANS ADVISED YUGOSLAWS AND INSISTED THAT FRG SECURITY SERVICES
COULD ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR TITO'S VISIT ONLY IF HE VIEWED
SOCCER GAME FROM INSIDE BULLET-PROOF GLASS ENCLOSURE. TITO
REFUSED AND ATTENDANCE AT SOCCER MATCH CANCELLED, KAHL FURTHER
STATED THAT KGB WAS BEHIND ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT AND WISHED MAKE

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IT APPEAR THAT TITO KILLED BY DISSATISFIED CROATS AND FASCIST
ELEMENTS. THROUGH THIS PLOY, KGB HOPED INSTALL SUCCESSOR REGIME
WITH SUPPORTING ELEMENTS IN YUGOSLAVIA WHO ARE FAVORABLE TO USSR.

2. NO SOURCE GIVEN BY KAHL FOR HIS INFO RE ALLEGED KGB PLOT, BUT
IT WAS ASSUMED HE HAD RECEIVED FROM FRG AUTHORITIES. ACCORDINGLY,
BASE CHECKED WITH [] AND [] ON 21 JUNE RE
ARRANGEMENTS FOR TITO VISIT. [] REPORTED ONLY THAT PLANNED
TITO ATTENDANCE AT SOCCER MATCH HAD BEEN CANCELLED FOR SECURITY
REASONS. [] CONFIRMED THAT BULLET PROOF BOOTH HAD BEEN
OFFERED TITO FOR SOCCER MATCH ATTENDANCE AS PART OF "STUFFE I"
SECURITY (MAXIMUM SECURITY) WHICH GERMANS BELIEVED NECESSARY TO
IMPOSE FOR TITO VISIT. TITO HAD INDEED TURNED THIS DOWN AND NO
VISIT TO SOCCER MATCH WAS SCHEDULED. PART OF REASON HOWEVER, WAS
THAT IT NOT YET CERTAIN WHERE OR WHEN YUGOSLAV TEAM WILL PLAY
DURING TITO'S VISIT. WHEN ASKED ABOUT POSSIBLE KGB INVOLVEMENT IN
ANTI-TITO PLOT, [] REPLIED THAT HIS SUPERIOR HAD SAID
THAT KGB WAS INVOLVED IN ASSASSINATION PLOT, BUT PURPOSE WAS NOT
TO HAVE TITO KILLED WHICH WOULD MAKE HIM A MARTYR. RATHER, KGB
WISHED CROATIAN ASSASSINATIONS TO BE KILLED BY FRG POLICE, MAKING THEM
MARTYRS AND STIRRING UP INTERNAL DISSENSION IN YUGOSLAVIA AGAINST

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YUGOSLAV SECURITY SERVICES WHO WOULD BE BLAMED FOR GIVING INFO
ON PLOT TO GERMANS. AGAIN, NO SOURCING WAS GIVEN FOR THIS
VERSION OF KGB PLOT. []'S PERSONAL OPINION IS THAT IF
PLOT DOES EXIST KGB AND YUGO I.S. MAY BE INVOLVED IN IT TOGETHER.

3. REALIZE MOST OF ABOVE PURE SPECULATION. [] HAS
PROVIDED ENTIRE FRG SECURITY SERVICES FILE ON TITO VISIT. []
REVIEWING THIS FILE AND WILL CABLE IN OPS OR INTEL FORMAT, AS
APPROPRIATE, SIGNIFICANT PORTIONS. COPY OF ENTIRE FILE, PLUS LIST
OF YUGOSLAV TERRORISTS IN FRG MADE AVAILABLE TO FRG BY YUGOSLAVS
WILL BE POUCHED.

4. ON 14 JUNE, [] TOLD [] THAT FOLLOWING ^{9/}OFFICIALS OF
YUGOSLAV CONSULATE IN HAMBURG WERE WORKING ON TITO VISIT WITH
HAMBURG POLICE ^{TO WORLD SOCCER MATCHES} (THIS INFO CONFIRMED BY FILE PROVIDED BY

A. ~~ZR~~ PREDRAG ~~ZR~~ SIMONOVIC [] CONSUL GENERAL
IN HAMBURG (ACCORDING HIS 201 FILE, SIMONOVIC IS FORMER ASSASSIN);

B. BORISLAV ~~ZR~~ KUSANOVIC [] CONSUL;

C. MILE ~~ZR~~ KNEZEVIC [] VICE CONSUL AND
PROBABLY SECURITY OFFICER OF YUGO CONSULATE.

ADDITIONALLY, [] SAID THAT DEPUTY MINISTER OF INTERIOR

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(FNU) G O R E N C AND THE SO-CALLED YUGO DIRECTOR OF SECURITY (FNU)
P A P O V I C HAD VISITED BONN TO DISCUSS THE VISIT WITH GERMAN
SECURITY SERVICES.

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